

DECLARATION OR OATH

- II. ☒ No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

NOTE: If the correct inventor or inventors are not named on filing a nonprovisional application under § 1.53(b) without an executed oath or declaration under § 1.63, the later submission of an executed oath or declaration under § 1.63 during the pendency of the application will act to correct the earlier identification of inventorship. 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(f)(1).

OR

- ☐ The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

NOTE: For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date complete item VI(3) below.

NOTE: "The following combinations of information supplied in an oath or declaration filed after the filing date are acceptable as minimums for identifying a specification and compliance with any one of the items below will be accepted as complying with the identification requirement of 37 CFR 1.63:

"(A) application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456);

"(B) serial number and filing date;

"(C) attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;

"(D) title which was on the specification as filed and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration; or

"(E) title which was on the specification as filed and accompanied by a cover letter accurately identifying the application for which it was intended by either the application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456), or serial number and filing date. Absent any statement(s) to the contrary, it will be presumed that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the oath or declaration."

M.P.E.P. § 601.01(a), 7th Ed.

NOTE: Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(c).

(complete (c) or (d), if applicable)

Attached is a

- (c) ☐ Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (d) ☐ Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

AMENDMENT CANCELLING CLAIMS

- III. ☐ Cancel claims _____ inclusive.

**TRANSMITTAL F ENGLISH TRANSLATION
F N N-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS**

- IV.** ☐ Submitted herewith is an English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. Also submitted herewith is a statement by the translator of the accuracy of the translation. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO.

NOTE: Fee for processing a non-English application, complete item VI(5) below.

NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided by the PTO need not be translated. 37 C.F.R. 1.69(b).

OTHER DOCUMENTS

V.

- (a) ☐ Attached is an Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-Form 1449 and () references.
- (b) ☐ Attached is a request for a corrected filing receipt along with a copy of the official filing receipt received from the PTO in the above-identified patent application for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested herewith.
- (c) ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- (d) ☐ Certified Copy of prior Application No. , filed , from which priority is being claimed in the subject application is attached.

SMALL ENTITY STATUS

VI.

- a. ☐ An assertion that this filing is by a small entity
(check and complete applicable items)
- ☐ is attached.
- ☐ was filed on _____(original).
- ☐ was made by paying the basic filing fee as a small entity.
- ☐ is being made now by paying the basic filing fee as a small entity.
- b. ☐ A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

COMPLETION OF FEES

VII.

WARNING: Failure to submit the surcharge fees where required will cause the application to become abandoned. 37 C.F.R. 1.53.

NOTE: For effect on fees of failure to establish status, or change status, as a small entity, see 37 C.F.R. 1.28(a).

1. Filing fee

- ☐ original patent application
(37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a)--\$740.00; small entity--\$370.00) \$ _____
- ☐ design application
(37 C.F.R. § 1.16(f)--\$330.00; small entity--\$165.00) \$ _____

2. Fees for Claims

- ☐ each independent claim in excess of 3
(37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))--\$84.00; small entity--\$42.00 \$ _____
- ☐ each claim in excess of 20
(37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))--\$18.00; small entity--\$9.00 \$ _____
- ☐ multiple dependent claim(s)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))--\$280.00; small entity--\$140.00 \$ _____

3. Surcharge fees

- ☒ declaration or oath late payment of filing fee and/or
late filing of original (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))--\$130.00;
small entity--\$65.00; \$130.00

NOTE: If both the filing fee and declaration or oath were missing from the original papers, the Office practice under § 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e) is that only one surcharge fee need be paid whether the later filed oath or declaration and/or the filing fee are submitted afterwards at the same time or at different times.

4. ☐ Petition and fee for filing by other than all the
inventors or a person not the inventor
(37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(i) and 1.47)--\$130.00 \$ _____

5. ☐ Fee for processing an application filed with a
specification in a non-English language
(37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(k) and 1.52(d))--\$130.00 \$ _____

6. ☐ Fee for processing and retention of application
(37 C.F.R. §§ 1.21(l) and 1.53(d))--\$130.00 \$ _____

7. ☒ Assignment (See "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET".) \$40.00

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(l) establishes a fee for processing and retaining any application which is abandoned for failing to complete the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f) and this, as well as, the changes to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.53 and 1.78 indicate that in order to obtain the benefit of a prior U.S. application, either the basic filing fee or the processing and retention fee of § 1.21(l) within 1 year of notification under § 1.53(f) must be paid.

Total completion fees \$170.00

EXTENSION OF TERM

VIII.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 400.00	\$200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 920.00	\$460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00

Fee \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____

OR

- (b) ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE DUE

IX.

The total fee due is

Completion fee(s) \$170.00 _____

Extension fee (if any) \$ _____

Total Fee Due \$170.00 _____

PAYMENT OF FEES

X.

- ☒ Attached is a ☒ check ☐ money order in the amount of **\$170.00** _____
- ☐ Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$ _____
- ☐ to Deposit Account No. **20-0090**
- ☐ to Credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038.

WARNING: Credit card information should *not* be included on this form as it may become public.

- ☐ Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

A duplicate of this request is attached.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

XI.

WARNING: Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependent claims, to avoid unexpected high charges if extra claims are authorized.

NOTE: "Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(a).

☒ The Office is hereby authorized to charge in the manner shown above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application.

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e)(surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a))

☐ 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)

NOTE: "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in § 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

☐ 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b))

NOTE: Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b).

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying. . . issue fee . . ." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.


SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER

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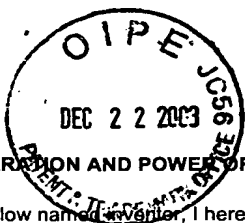
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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Atty. Docket No. TRW(AEC)6686

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Multifunctional pushbutton switch

the specification of which

(check one) ☐ is attached hereto.☒ was filed on 5 August 2003 as Application Serial No. 10/634,720
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).☐ was filed on _____ as International Application No. _____
and was amended on _____by ☐ Preliminary Amendment ☐ Article 19; ☐ Article 34 (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

202 12 254.9

(Number)

Germany

(Country)

8 August 2002

(Day/Month/Year Filed)

Priority Claimed

☒ Yes ☐ No

(Number)

(Country)

(Day/Month/Year Filed)

☐ Yes ☐ No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status-patented, pending, abandoned)

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status-patented, pending, abandoned)

Power of Attorney: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys: Thomas L. Tarolli, Reg. No. 20,177; Robert B. Sundheim, Reg. No. 20,127; Calvin G. Covell, Reg. No. 24,042; Barry L. Tummino, Reg. No. 29,709; Paul E. Szabo, Reg. No. 30,429; James L. Tarolli, Reg. No. 36,029; Ronald M. Kachmarik, Reg. No. 34,512; Richard S. Wesorick, Reg. No. 40,871; Maurice R. Salada, Reg. No. 26,502; Allan W. Voegel, Reg. No. 28,127; and Gary L. Hermanson, Reg. No. 34,349; each with full powers of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Residence _____ Citizenship _____
Post Office Address _____
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Post Office Address _____